(c) and (d) The DRDAs are playing a vital role in effectively managing and overseeing the implementation of different anti-poverty programmes of Ministry of Rural Development. The DRDAs, apart from dealing with anti-poverty programmes of the Ministry, are also entrusted with the programmes of other Ministries or those of the State Governments, which have definite anti-poverty focus. They are also coordinating with other agencies like governmental, non-governmental, technical and financial institutions for successful implementation of the programmes. In addition, DRDAs, coordinate and oversee the conduct of BPL survey data, required from time to time.

Houses for rural poor

4557. SHRI B.J. PANDA:
MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether India needs 169 million houses for the poor;

(b) whether lack of houses for the rural poor is an alarming phenomenon, when over 72 per cent of the population lives in villages; and

(c) if so, what is the action plan of Government to meet this situation especially in the backward States of Orissa, Chhattisgarh, Bihar, Jharkhand, etc.?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL): (a) As per the estimation done by the Office of Registrar General of India, based on 2001 Census, the total housing shortage in the rural areas in India is 148.33 lakh.

(b) and (c) Within the financial resources available, the Government is trying to minimize shelterlessness in rural areas as quickly as possible. Under "Bharat Nirman Programme" 60 lakh houses are envisaged to be constructed during the period of four years from 2005-06 to 2008–09, out of which more than 30 lakh houses have been constructed during the first two years of Bharat Nirman Programme. A Statement showing the number of houses constructed during the period of last two years throughout the country including the States of Orissa, Chhattisgarh, Bihar and Jharkhand is given below.

Statement

State-wise year-wise number of houses constructed under the Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) during 2005-06 and 2006-07

(Units in Number)

Sl. No.	Name of the States/UTs	2005-06	2006-07*
1	2	3	4
1.	Andhra Pradesh	132521	146403
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	5327	3526
3.	Assam	104353	125441
4.	Bihar	331651	348693
5.	Chhattisgarh	26578	20818
6.	Goa	615	1115
7.	Gujarat	65602	65195
8.	Haryana	9743	10375
9.	Himachal Pradesh	3031	3317
10.	Jammu & Kashmir	8231	7527
11.	Jharkhand	75403	57246
12.	Karnataka	56944	49088
13.	Kerala	36413	30817
14.	Madhya Pradesh	59420	54531
15.	Maharashtra	94274	67625
16.	Manipur	4962	3460
17.	Meghalaya	6678	1475
18.	Mizoram	2182	2178
19.	Nagaland	7949	6321
20.	Orissa	87070	81345
21.	Punjab	7868	8250
22.	Rajasthan	38471	33397
23.	Sikkim	1296	1554
24.	Tamil Nadu	66434	16760
25.	Tripura	11902	10612
26.	Uttar Pradesh	185541	171003
27.	Uttarakhand	21722	17239
28.	West Bengal	99259	128838

1	2	3	4
29.	A&N Islands	90	62
30.	D&N Haveli	101	69
31.	Daman & Diu	6	1
32.	Lakshadweep	48	88
33.	Pondicherry	238	261
	TOTAL :	1551923	1474630

*As per the information received from the States so far.

Utilization of rural development allocations for SCs/STs

4558. SHRI JESUDASU SEELAM: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that Rs. 3439.50 crores were allocated to the Ministry for the year 2006-07, to be spend on programmes with at least 20 per cent allocation benefits to the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes;

(b) if so, what are the programmes undertaken by the Ministry for 2006-07, the details of budget funds utilized, and quantitative and qualitative benefits accrued to these sections, State-wise; and

(c) what are the details of programmes with at least 20 per cent allocation out of the Budget allocation of Rs. 4330 crore to be undertaken for 2007-08, the amount likely to be spend and the benefits to be accrued to these sections, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL): (a) to (c) The Ministry of Rural Development had provided Budgetary allocation of Rs. 3439.51 crores under three schemes namely, Sampoorna Grameen Rozgar Yojana (SGRY), Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY) and Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) for the year 2006-07 for the Scheduled Castes (SCs) and Scheduled Tribes (STs). State-wise and programme-wise funds utilized and quantitative benefits accrued to these sections are given in the enclosed Statement (*See* below). For 2007-08, Rs. 4349 crores have been allocated under these programmes for the benefit of SCs and STs. State-wise funds allocated under SGRY and IAY for 2007-08 are also given in the Statement. Under SGSY, fifty percent of the total swarojgaries assisted shall belong to SCs/STs.